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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 27, 2007, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.

Amended portions of the **specification** are presented on page 2.

The **claims** are presented on pages 3-6.

Claims 1, 5 and 13-18 are amended.

Claims 19-20 are added.

Remarks begin on page 7.